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FACILITY CABLE TX230-08-0724 P CST TO SCIATT.

1. IN REPOSE TO LETTER FROM SCIATT, CNIE ACTING PRESIDENT TASSO HAS REPLIED THAT CNIE AGREES TO PARTICIPATE IN THE TWO ADDITIONAL FLIGHTS, BUT, CONFIRMING WHAT THE SCIATT HAD NOTED, ACCORDING TO THE ACCUMULATED EXPERINCE OF CNIE IN SIMILAR OPERATIONS IN PAST YEARS, THE MINIMUM PERIOD OF ADEQUATE PRIOR COORDINATION OF THE EXPERIMENTS SHOULD BE 60 DAYS. ACCORDINGLY, CNIE NOTES THAT THE TIME AVAILABLE TO PREPARE FOR THESE FLIGHTS IS SHORT AND INDICATES THAT THE U.S. PARTICIPATING INSTITUTIONS SHOULD TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THAT THIS MAY PRODUCE FAILURES. NONETHELESS, CNIE PROMISES TO EXERT ITS BEST EFFORTS AND TO USE ALL MEANS AT ITS DISPOSAL TO ACHIEVE A SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THE EXPERIMENTS.

2. BASED ON AN ANALYSIS BY THE CNIE TECNICAL DEPARTMENT, AND IN ORDER TO COUNT ON TECHNICAL MEASURES WHICH MAY OVERCOME IN PART THE DIFFICULTIES (DUE TO SHORTAGE OF TIME), CNIE HAS DECIDED THAT THE LAUNCHINGS WILL BE MADE FROM RIO CUARTO (AIR FORCE RIO CUARTO MATERIALS AREA, CORDOBA PROVINCE).

3. ACTION REQUESTED: (A) CONFIRMATION THAT UCAR WISHES TO PROCEED WITH EXPERIMENTS ON ABOVE BASIS; (B) IF POSITIVE,
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UCAR'S THOUGHTS ON WORDING OF FORMAL UCAR-CNI AGREEMENT EXTEND-

ING GALAXIA 73 AGREEMENT AS OUTLINED REFTEL A; (C) PREFERRED
MODALITIES AS TO TIME AND PLACE OF SIGNATURE BY UCAR.
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